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In re Application of

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Title: SINUSOIDAL CODING

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claim as follows:

8. (Amended) An audio system comprising an audio coder (2) as claimed in claim 6.

Please add new Claim 11:

11. (New) An audio system comprising an audio player (4) as

2 claimed in claim 7.

#### REMARKS

The claim has been amended to delete multiple dependencies.

The above amendments are submitted to place this application in proper U.S. format. Entry of the amendment and an early action on the merits are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Appendix A

# Version with Markings to Show Changes Made to the Claim

The following are marked up versions of amended claim 8:

- 1 8. (Amended) An audio system comprising an audio coder (2) as
- 2 claimed in claim 6 [and an audio player (4) as claimed in claim 7].

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